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REF BERLIN'S 1028 TO DEPT, PARIS 4469 TO DEPT.

IN OUR VIEW, ISSUES AND RESERVATIONS RAISED BY GENERALS
HAMLETT AND NORSTAD AND ALSO BRANDT CONNECTION POSSIBLE
AGREEMENTS WITH SOVIET UNION LIMITING SIZE ALLIED GARRISON
BERLIN BOTH RELEVANT AND IMPORTANT, AND SHOULD BE CAREFULLY
CONSIDERED BEFORE WESTERN DECISIONS TAKEN.

SEEMS TO US THAT IF WE SHOULD NEVERTHELESS COMMIT OURSELVES
TO SUCH AN ARRANGEMENT WITH SOVIETS, WE MUST EXPLICITLY
RESERVE FOR OURSELVES EXCLUSIVE RIGHT TO EXERCISE OUR OWN
CONTROL OVER NUMBERS OF OUR TROOPS, AND MAKE IT UNMISTAKABLY
CLEAR THAT THIS NOT FUNCTION WHICH WE SHARE WITH OR PERMIT
TO BE EXERCISED BY SOVIETS.

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